BURLINGTON, Oct. 5, 1868

First Day of the Fall Meeting of the American Jockey Club.

On the Road and at the Race course.

Excellent Running and Capital Time Made.

Four Races-R. B. Connolly Won the Mile and a Quarter Dash, Bayonet the Mile Heats, Bonnie Lass the Two Year Old Race and Stonewall Jackson the Two Mile Heats.

A finer October day never shone than yesterday, the first day of the fall meeting of the American ockey Club. The peculiar beauty of our unique Indian summer seemed to have been anticipated. Rich autumnal colors were beginning to spread over e picturesque scenery of the Central Park and me Park and all the intervening country. The sity itself shared in the exhibarating influences of the . The splendid avenues that lead to the Centrat Park were alive with a joyous population ap-parently more eager for a holiday than for the usual business. The palatial dwellings on ofth avenue and even the miniature cathedrals that use in town offered a busy scene of preparations rides and drives. By noon vehicles of ery conceivable variety, most of them once stronger and lighter than any which the Lendon parks, Paris Bois de glogne or Vienna Prater can boast, were whirling aga the Central Park, or moving in slow and long procession over the bridge at Macomb's dam. The programme for the opening day, and for every day of the fall meeting, was of a most interesting haracter. Such a racing carnival as had never reviously been enjoyed in the United States might have been expected from all the auspices of yester-day morning. But with the total absence of the dust both on the road and at the race course, an absence of all its multitudinous lively and mirth-provokng scenes and incidents, such as English novel-sts and caricaturists have so often reproduced with beir pens and pencils. The opening day of the American Jockey Club was very unlike a Derby day. Several members of the Club vere not present. There were comparatively few visitors of distinction, including only one ex-President of the United States. Favorable as the on was for an extraordinary display of beauty and elegant toilets, the number of ladies who availed themselves of it was not large. As for "the illion" of all classes and conditions, who lend so not life and animation to "the races" in England, nd, latterly, in France, it was manifest that very New of them consider themselves welcome at the races in Jerome Park. But all this may be partly explained by the slight publicity given in advance to the fall meeting. Meritorious as the efforts of the erican Jockey Club have been to render their favorite and commendable amusement fashionable, they have not yet succeeded in making it popular. 'he weather, however, is so propitious, and, as we

The weather, however, is so propitious, and, as we have already intimated, the programme of each day as so interesting, that we hope the fall meeting will pet prove to be a racing carnival. Surely no finer rendezvous for the beauty, fashion, wealth and distinction or our metropolis can be imagined than at the races in Jerome Park.

THE CLUB HOUSE,

lifting itself away above the surrounding circle of low hils and forming the most conspicuous object in the landscape, was the grand rendezvous for the fashionable, the extremely fashionable and exclusive visitors to the racecourse. At noon its high and broad plazza, overlooking the track and everything else adjacent, presented as brilliant and animated a scene as its limited compass of space would adult of. The brilliancy was due to the ladies, the animation to the music, which, wafted from a greeu eminence near by in bursts of delicious melody, envened the dulness of conversation and suggested the exhilisrating evolutions of the dance. Some of the indies looked positively gorgeous. A few affected the Grecian bend; but it was done with such a grace and skill as to deprive it of all its gross and ridiculous prominence. There were dresses of azuline velvet brighter than the brightest sapphire, dres eas of mave slik which threw the gittering hue of the amethyst in the shade; but all so tastefully folled by colors of less pretentious dye that the general effect was heightened without becoming in anywise gaudy. Along the rating of the plazza a fringe of fashion and smade; but all so tastetuly folical by colors of less pretentious dye that the general effect was heightened without becoming in anywise gaudy. Along the rating of the plazza a fringe of fashlon and beauty extended, closed in by a background of darkly attired gents, whose yellow or tan colored gloves and blue or red neckties formed the only specks of color about them. A portion of the ladies, constituting the romante element of the gathering, seemed absorbed in admiring the scenery, which tooked really very fine. For all the cares and crosses of life Heaven had sent the glorious recompense of a cloudiess, sunny day, and the emerald floor around Fordham racecourse looked strikingly beautiful under the dome of silvery blue. The woods, the shady by-lanes, the pretty little cottages peeping out here and there from the midst of green, gold and russet foliage, the placid flawns, the slauberous haze resting on the distant hilltops, the lazy smoke curling up from the chimney of some neighboring farmhouse made as pretty a landscape picture as the eye could rest on. It was this drew away the sentimental thoughts of many of the fair spectators, but the great majority preferred the busy hum of conversation and the critical admiration of each others' dresses. Then, beside these rural attractions there were living moving features that drew attention and which could be nowhere seen to better advantage than from the piazza of the club house. Small and select parties were seated across the way on the main stand, which, if it had been as fully occupied as it might have been, would have presented a very imposing spectacle.

Along the quarter stretch, green and level as a billiard table, were a host of fashionable horsemen moving busily to and fro in excellent condition of spirits. In the low ground at the lower end of the main stand, a number of different vehicles was massed, above which rose like so many vari-colored mushrooms a series of gay parasols, and from under the parasols it is to be presumed a great battery of bright cy etentious die that the general effect was heighted without becoming in anywise gaudy. Along a raising of the plazza a fringe of fashion and

the parasols it is to be presumed a great battery of bright eyes gleaumed forth. At the upper end of the main stand, on the bluffy green ridges, other vehicles were drawn up, not in very large numbers, not one-third as many as on previous occasions; and higher still, running along by the elevated boundary fences, many teams were hitched, but room was left for many more. In flity different places, where the eye wandered and sought repose in among the tail eims, where more of shadow than of sunlight entered, groups of threes and fours—sometimes, perhaps, a dozen—with a hamper of good things among them, might be observed seated on the grass and looking certainly more contented than the busy crowds that thronged about the poolselier's stand or sauntered uneasily around the quarter stretch. Then there were many other little sights here and there that gave endiess variety to the vision. Now a horse capering along the track, ducking his bead and dancing with very giee at the prospect of a close brush in the coming race. Again, a brace of dainty little jockeys, cutting the sir with their riding whips and strutting gayly in front of the main stand. Then a whole party of ladies and gentiemen winding their way down the rustic staircase of the club house and across the sward and the track to the club shad. On every side there was abundance of pretty tableaus, and in the scenery alone anybody with the least touch of sentiment could find illimitable sources of delight. Next to the sight of the beautiful women on the balcony perhaps the music was the succeeding charm; and then for those who love excitement, why there was the stirring feature of the race. But the music was exquisite beyond the ordinary measure, owing in a great degree to the elevation from whence it came and to the breeze that bore its notes across the entire course to the distant hills, from whence it returned in faint and tender echoes.

CERTAIN DISTINGUISHED VISITORS.

One of the incidents of the day, in the absence of crowded throngs, was the appearance on

furtive glance at each other, a good many gentlemen came around to take a peep at the glants.

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a magnificent programme offered for a race meeting, nor such an array of fine horses brought together to contend for the premiums to be given by the American Jockey Club as on the present occasion. Four a mile and a quarter, the second a mile heat race, the third a dash of a mile for two year olds, and the fourth a race of two mile heats. The track was good and safe but not remarkably fast; yet the three year old race of mile heats was the quickest that was ever run with 110 pounds on the colts and 107 pounds on the fillies. In the first race Mr. O'Don-nell's R. B. Connolly and Twinkle, Colonel McDannell's R. B. Connoily and Twinkie, Colonel McDaniel's Lizzie Rogers, Dr. Weldon's Aidebaran and Mr. Forbes' Climax started. Mr. Morris' filly Fanny Ludlow was left at the post when the flag fell. R. B. Connolly ran a good race in capital time and won easily. The mile heat race brought Mr. Moore's new purchase, bay colt Bayonet, Bowie & Hall's chestnut filly Australia, Mr. Sanford's bay filly La Polka, Mr. Jerome's chestnut colt St. Paul. and Mr. Morris' brown filly Fanny Ludlow to the post. Australia was a known good one, and Bayonet was supposed to be a clipper, else Mr. Moore would not have given \$6,500 for him, and the race between these two was expected to be one of an unusually brilliant character. The result proved them both first class racers, but Bayonet the best. The third race brought to the post as fine an array of two year title aware ever together, and they ran a capital brilliant character. The result proved them both first class racers, but Bayonet the best. The third race brought to the post as fine an array of two year olds as were ever together, and they ran a capital race. Colonel McDannel had bay filly Bonnie Lass, by Bairownie; Mr. Morris, a bay filly Bonnie Lass, by Bairownie; Mr. Morris, a bay filly by imported Eclipse; Mr. Jerome, bay filly Rapture, by Lapidist; John Hunter, bay filly Attraction, by Bairownie; Mr. Cameron, two imported fillies; Mr. Sanford, chestnut filly, by Lexington, a sister of Norfolk, and Mr. Cannon a cost by imported Stoneplover. They made a very interesting race, Bonnie Lass being the winner. This was followed by a run of two mile heats, in which were Mr. Moore's gray horse Stonewall Jackson, Mr. Sanford's Hotspur, Dr. Weldon's Flora McIvor. Colonel McDaniel's Sarah B. and H. B. Todd's Harry Booth. Stonewall won very handly, as the next best to him in the race, Sarah B., accidentally ran on Flora McIvor in the first heat and was distanced according to rule. The result, probably, would have been the same had not the accident occurred, yet her appearance in the second heat would have added interest to the race. The following are the details of the day's sport:—

THE FIRST RACE.

Handicap for all ages, one mile and a quarter, \$50 entrance, half forfeit and only \$10 if declared; \$500 added by the club; the second horse to save his entrance; closed with sixteen entries. After the publication of the weights a winner of \$1,000 to carry five pounds extra; \$2,000, seven pounds, and \$3,000, ton pounds.

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J. O'Donnell entered br. c. R. B. Connolly, by Lexinton, dam Lucy Fowler, 100 lbs.

J. O'Donnell entered ch. d. Lizzie Rogers, by brother of Frank Allen, dam Jennie Rose, 85 lbs. 2 Dr. Weldon entered ch. g. Aldebaran, by Commodore, dam Nannie Lewis, 107 lbs., five pounds extra.

R. B. Forbes entered br. h. Climax, by Bairownie, dam Jewell, 110 lbs.

J. O'Donnell entered b. m. Twinkie, by Eclipse, dam by Glencoe, 90 lbs.

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The betting was in favor of Mr. O'Donnell's stable, R. B. Connolly and Twinkie against the field. Lizzie Rogers was the next choice in the pools, while some of the older turfmen chose Aldebaran and Climax for winners. The horses were started at the three-quarter pole at the lower end of the homestretch after a few unsuccessful attempts, with the exception of Fanny Ludiow, who would not start, and came ratting up the homestretch at a merry pace, Twinkie leading. R. B. Connolly second, Lizzie Rogers tifird, Climax fourth and Aldebaran fifth. Without changing places they went around the upper turn, passed the quarter pole and came dashing down the bend and around the Builf, Twinkie leading three lengths, R. B. Connolly second, two lengths in front of Lizzie Rogers, who was one length alead of Climax, the latter leading Aldebaran two lengths. Swinging and soon passed Climax, and as she approached Connolly the latter also cut loose and they soon went up to Twinkie and passed her.

third, Australia fourth and Fanny Ludlow fith. Some of them changed places on the upper turn, and as they came around the bluir Bayonet was leading a length, Fanny Ludlow sdood, one length shead of St. Paul, La Polka close up, and Australia trailing and abiding her time. They ran in this way into the lower turn, when, approaching the three-quarter pole, Australia went like the wind past La Polka, St. Paul and Fanny Ludlow, and challenged Bayonet for the lead. Getting into straight work on the stretch the race between the two was highly exciting. Australia gained on the son of Bay Leaf at every stride, until just at the lower end of the stand she was on even terms with him and appeared like a winner; but in a few vigorous strides Bayonet drew away from her and won by a length. La Polka was third, several lengths behind Australia and two in front of Fanny Ludlow, who was two or three in front of St. Paul. Time, 1:45½—the fastest time ever made with the modern weights up—that is, 110 lbs. for coits and 107 for filies.

Second Heat.—Two to one was now offered and taken on Bayonet against the field. Another fine start and away they went, with Bayonet leading, Australia second, La Polka third, St. Paul fourth and Fanny Ludlow fifth. Bayonet and Australia ran neck and neck around the upper turn, and as they passed the quarter pole Australia had the best of it by a neck. As she swung around the bluff she led two lengths and a half, Bayonet second, St. Paul third, La Polka fourth, Fanny Ludlow fith. Going to the right at the half-mile pole Australia's rider began to shu up the daylight, and going with a rush came on the homestrefch on even terms with Australia. After a short tassle Australia's rider began to apply the whip, and it was evident that the game was up. Bayonet came up the stretch to the stand leading by two lengths, and ne beat the filly to the string three lengths handily, making the heat in 1:45%. The turee others just saved their distance, being all parallel when Bayonet reached the stand.

THE NURSERY STAKES—For two year olds, one mile 50 entrance, play or pay; \$1,500 added by the Club the second horse to receive \$300 out of the stakes. Closed with thirty-five entries, eight of which started

started.
Colonel McDaniel entered b. f. Bonnie Lass by Balrownie, dam Pasta, by Revenue...
F. Morris entered b. f. by Eclipse, dam not given.
Leonard W. Jerome entered b. f. Rapture, by Lapidist, dam Parachute, by Yorkshire.
John Hunter entered b. f. Attraction, by Balrownie,
dam Maud, by Stockwell...
R. W. Cameron entered imported b. f. Inverness,
by Macaroni, dam Effrida, by Faugh-a-ballagh...
Mr. Sanford entered ch. f. by Lexington, dam
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J. M. Cannon entered b. c. by imported Stoneplover.

R. W. Cameron entered br. f. Inveruglass, by Old
Calabar, dam Juniper, by Bay Middleton.

Bonnie Lass was the favorite in some instances
against the field. With a good start, which is somewhat difficult to have with two year olds, Bonnie
Lass took the lead, Morris' filly second, Rapture
third, the others all together in a bunch, in which
way they ran around the upper turn. As they
rounded the binf Bonnie Lass was still showing the
others the way, Rapture second, Morris' filly third,
Attraction fourth, inveruglass fifth, the Stoneplover
colt sixth, Mr. Sanford's filly seventh and Inverness
eighth. As they ran around the lower turn they
were spread out about two lengths apart, but as they
reached the homestretch Inveruglass threw up the
sponge. As they came up the stretch Bonnie Lass
was running very easily and leading a couple of
lengths, Morris' filly second, Attraction third, Rapture fourth, Inverness fifth, the Stoneplover colt
sixth, Sanford's filly seventh and Inveruglass eighth.
An easy run home brought Bonnie Lass the winner,
Morris second, Rapture third, Attraction fourth, Inverness fifth, Mr. Sanford's sixth, Stoneplover colt
seventh and inveruglass last. Time, 1:47;

THE FOURTH RACE.

A premium of \$750, for all ages, two mile heats.
T. G. Moore entered g. h. Stonewall Jackson, by
Lightning, dam Entth, by Sovereign, 5 years
old.

1 M. Sanford entered r. C. Hotspur, by Lexington, dam Nebula, 3 years old.

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J. W. Weldon entered b. f. Flora Mcivor, by Lexington, dam Floride, by Wagner, 4 years

*Sarah B. came in second, but was distanced for foul riding.

First Heat.—Stonewall Jackson was the favorite against the field before the start at about three to one. Flora Melvor took the lead, Hotspur second, Harry Booth third, Stonewall fourth and Sarah B. fifth. They continued in this way around the upper turn and down and around the bluff, running very close together. As they passed to the lower turn Flora led one length, Hotspur second, a length in front of Stonewall Jackson, who was two lengths in advance of Harry Booth, the latter being one length shead of Sarah B. As the three leaders came into the homestretch they were nose and tail, the others as before. As they passed the stand at the end of the first mile—which was run in 1:53—Sarah B. made a rush and soon cut down all the horses and took the front position; but in doing so she ran on Flora Melvor and cut her off hind leg badly. Sarah B. led one length around the upper turn, Stonewall Jackson second, one length in front of Flora Melvor, Hotspur fourth, Harry Booth filth. As they passed around the bluff Sarah B. still led one length; but when she got into the lower turn Stonewall began closing on her gradually, and before the three-anarier pole was renehod he captured ner and came on the homestretch in front. Sarah B. struggled gamely all the way home under the whip, but was beaten two lengths by Stonewall. Flora Melvor was four lengths behind, and about ten lengths ahead of Hotspur, Harry Booth distanced. Complaints were then laid before the judges about the running into Flora Melvor, and she was paraded in front of the stand to show her injuries. The judges decided that the mischief had been done by Sarah B., but not intentionally; still, according to the rules of the American Jockey Club, they were compelled to distance her. Time of the heat, 3:43-4.

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Sale of Pools on the Second Day's Racing

Last Night.

A good attendance and spirited bidding charactera good attendance an apprice obtaining characterized the sale of pools on the second day's meeting by Dr. Underwood, at 1,169 Broadway, last night. There did not, however, appear to be much difference of opinion among those present respecting the merits of the different horses, James A. Conneity, entered for the Stewards' Cup, being the universal favorite against the field, and R. B. Connoily among the entries for the mile heat race. For the selling race Boaster was the favorite. The following pools among those sold are a fair indication of the feeling regarding the several entries:—

STEWARDS' CUP.		
James A. Connolly\$180	200	
General Duke 55	50	- 1
Nemesis 50	60	
General Yorke 22	20	
Abdel Kader 7	6	
Local 80	60	
MILE REAT RACE.		
R. B. Connolly\$105	100	
Metairie 75	41	
Corsican 31	36	
Joe McConnell 26	20	
Northumberland 27	17	
THE SELLING RACE.		
Boaster 265	65	
Bonnie Doon 33	20	
Jubal 24	20	
Uncle Vic 12	15	
Lloyd's 15	15	

BUFFALO, Oct. 5, 1808. There was a very slim attendance at the fall meet ing of the Buffalo Park Association to-day. There were two exciting and closely contested races, both of which, on account of the lateness of the hour, The first race was for a premium of \$200; \$130 to the first horse, \$50 to the second, and \$20 to the third,

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Galen Boy						
Lake Shore Belie						
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NEW YORK CITY

THE COURTS.

UNITED STATES COMMISSIONERS' COURT. The Alleged Internal Revenue Fraud Case for the Defence Closed.

Before Commissioner Guttman. The United States vs. Commissioner Rollins,earing in this case was yesterday resumed by the tion of the examination of witnesses for the defence. The first witness called was B. F. Tracy, District Attorney of the Eastern district, who gave very brief testimony as to the seizure of Banowcliff's distillery in July, 1867. The premises were seized by order of Mr. Harland.

Joshua A. Narley sworn-Was Collector of the Fourth district three and a half years; knew the rec-tifying distillery of A. Pike; that distillery was seized by my direction in October, 1867; the case was referred to the department with a statement of the circumstances, and in the following December went for consultation with the Department to Washington; while there the Commissioner of Internal Revenue accompanied witness to the secretary's office, where the matter of arrangement with regard to the disposition of the rectifying distillery was decided; the premises were then in the hands of the government authorities here in the District Court for prosecution; this was late in November or early in December; the case was substantially terminated about the 20th of December and finally closed in the spring.

Q. What was the result of the proceedings? A. All the spirit under selzure was paid for at two dollars a gallon; the property and machinery were assessed and paid for according to assessment; the spirits drew a price in excess of the market value.

Q. What part did Mr. Partand take in the matter?

A. The only part he took was being present with the others when action was decided on; Mr. Harland made no positive suggestions as to what should be done with the property.

Q. What was the cause of action against Pike's distillery? A. The sale and purchase of spirits at a less price than the government tax.

George H. Farrar, clerk in Willard's Hotel, Washington—Mr. H. R. Pierson occupied rooms in the hotel in Washington in May, 1367; he came on May 27 and left on the 30th; the numbers of the rooms occupied by him were 50 and 52, on the second floor; a person of the name of Charles Loeb arrived at the hotel May 26; Mr. Loeb occupied room 109, on the third floor. cumstances, and in the following December went for

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Q. When the door of that room was half open and a person standing on the sill, what furniture would be first in view? A. If a gentieman was sitting at the table he could be seen with also a portion of the table; there was no place for a person to stand outside and observe what was going on inside when the door was half open.

Cross-examined by Mr. Courtney—Supposing a person left the office, would he on going to 52 pass 109? No, sir; he would have to pass 50 and 52 going to 109; 50 and 52 are below and 100 above.

John D. Flavin knew John D. Mellenry for two or three years; have not heard much of him lately; formerly his character was not very commendable.

Q. Was it good? A. No.

Q. Would you believe him on oath. A. That is a very pointed question; if I was asked it on the street I would say no; asked here on oath I would say I would require a very wide margin.

Cross-examined by Mr. Courtney—Never had any business transactions with him; I speak of McHenry from representations I have heard made of him.

Q. What was the subject matter of these r-presentations? A. I heard Mr. McKnight say that he had been the champion of some interest in Albany in which money was raised for some purpose, and the matter in interest was never carried out; the most of those representations were from political feeling or were associated with political anatters.

J. Weekes—Knew McHenry from report; his reputation is bad; would not believe him on oath.

— Wilde—Knew McHenry. Q. Would you believe him on oath? A. That would depend upon the circumstances under which he would be sworn on giving testimony; if he witnessed a casualty in passing through the streets I should believe his testimony; if he was Interested either directly or Indirectly? A. That I would not believe him where he had a personal freind was interasted; heard several persons speak of his character; heard Al

from time to time; at other times we have worked harmoniously.

Cyrus A. Meade, Robert V. Miller and Job Johnston gave testimony as to the character of McHenry from report. Nothing very particular or bearing on the case was cheited.

William Hubbeil deposed—Knew McHenry for two years; knew his reputation from the report of those McHenry associated with, and those he dwitness associated with. From these reports he would say his reputation was bad, and if he was to speak from his own experience he would say it was worse.

Samuel B. Pike—Was part proprietor of a rectifying distillery, between Eighth and Ninth avenues, in 1867 and 1844 knew Mr. Harland; saw him twice only, in February, 1867, was at the Metropolitan Revenue Board in the year 1867, for the purpose of signing a bond; did not see Mr. Harland there at that time or at any time; in December, 1867, or January, 1868, was not in 83 Cedar street; did not see Mr. Harland there either those times; never gave Mr. Harland a check upon any occasion; never kept an individual bank account.

Cross-examined by Mr. Courtney—Never gave individual bank account.

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Mr. Harland a check or a consucration of any
value for any purpose whatever; never saw Mr.
Harland at the Metropolitan Revenue Board.

Harland at the Metropolitan Revenue Board.
Q. Do I understand you to swear that at no time or place whatever, you ever paid any money by check or otherwise or any consideration whatsover to Mr. Harland for any purpose whatever? A. Yes, I swear so.
Defence here rested.
Mr. Courtney moved to adjourn the case till ten to-morrow merning, when McHebry would have witnesses in court to testify to his character for truth and veracity.

COURT OF APPEALS.

Liability of Railroad Companies-Damage-Negligence. Before a full Bench. Harrey Mangam, an Infant, by His Guardian,

Respondent, vs. The Brooklyn City Railroad Com-pany, Appellants.—This is an appeal from an order made at general term in the Second district revers-ing an order of the circuit dismissing the complaint and granting a new trial. The action was instituted for the recovery of damages for injuries received by the plaintiff through the alleged negligence of the defendants' agent. Plaintiff was, in July, 1838, run over in one of the public streets of Brooslyn by one of the defendants' cars, and in consequence of the injuries so received suffered amputation of a limb. The child was three years and seven mouths old, and the testimony went to show that, in the absence of its guardian for a space of twenty minutes, it had crept through a basement window from the house into the street. When seen in the street the child was on the roadway and the defendants' car was approaching at average speed about half a block dis'ant. The driver of the car was not looking ahead or paying attention to the management of his ho.ses, and the child's back was turned to him. The driver had lastened the reigns to the handle of the brake, and the horses were running without guidance, while the driver was sitting on the platform looking at a pigeon in his hands which he had cut down in its flight by a stroke of his whip, and the horses had passed the child safety, but the dashboard struck it and threw it on the track.

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The defendants moved for a dismissal of the complaint, which was granted, mainly on the ground of contributive negligence on the part of the plaintin's guardian in allowing a child unable to exercise caution to be unattended in the public thoroughfare. The respondent claims that the fact of the child being alone in the street was not a source of concurrent negligence, from the fact that the defendants' servant was wholly inattentive, and that the car might just as reasonably be allowed to be drawn by the horses through the streets unattended by a driver.

Decision reserved.

SUPREME COURT-SPECIAL TERM.

Blockade Running—A Curious Defence.
Before Judge Sutherland.
Thomas Reddington vs. Stephen K. Fowler and Jno.
L. Williams.—Plaintiff sued to recover a balance of about \$4,000, due on a consignment of goods shipped to them in July, 1863, deliverable at Houston, Texas. them in July, 1863, deliverable at Houston, Texas. The defendants answered by a general denial of the allegations of the complaint, and for a further defence set up that at the time set forth the State of Texas was in a condition of rebellion; that plainting was a citizen of the United States, and that blockade running was rendered illegal and interdicted by proclamation of the President of the United States closing the ports of Texas and other Southern ports. Singularly enough, the defendants do not set up or aver that the goods on which suit is brought were attempted to be entered at the port of Houston by means of evading the blockade, or that the plainting was engaged in such unlawful enterprise. The plainting demurred to the defence as insufficient. The Court, at the close of the argument, took the papers and reserved its decision.

COURT CALENDAR-THIS DAY.

ness previous to September 15, 1863. Four horses entered and three started. The following is the summary:—
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CITY INTELLIGENCE,

THE WEATHER YESTERDAY.—The following record will show the changes in the temperature for the past twenty-four hours, as indicated by the ther-

Average temperature Monday..... FATAL ACCIDENT .- A youth of eighteen years, whose name is unknown, on Monday night was run over in University place by a truck, driven by August Hartley, living at 164 Rivington street, and almost instantly killed. The body was conveyed to the Morgue and Coroner Flynn notified to hold an in-

NEW YORK TYPOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY .- The hundred and nineteenth semi-annual meeting of the New York Typographical Society was held on Saturday evening, when the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Directors—James T. Miller, Charles McDevitt, Hiram Bessy, George Shea, A. K. Smalley, Wm. B. Treaev. Trustees—Charles C. Savage and George Parsons.

GERMAN PIANOMAKERS.—The German planomakers held a mass meeting yesterday morning at the Germania Assembly Rooms, to which none but known members of the Pianomakers' Union were admitted. The meeting was called for eight o'clock, but the tardy arrival of members delayed the formal opening till ten. The principal business before the meeting was the increase of ten per cent upon the present rate of wages asked for, and it was reported that most of the manufacturers are willing to pay the increase, but that at the largest establishment only certain branches were allowed the increase while all the others were denied it, and the question was broached what should be done in that case.

NEW YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY.—The New York

NEW YORK HISTORICAL SOCIETY .- The New York Historical Society held a meeting last evening at the nue. Ex-Governor Hamilton Fish, who occupied the chair, opened the meeting with a few appropriate remarks and introduced Dr. A. Gardner, who read a somewhat interesting and exhaustive paper on "The History of the Navigation of the Hudson River." The business of the meeting concluded, the guests of the society, among whom were a large number of ladies, were conducted through the richly stored museum and art gallery of the association and seemed highly delighted with the countiess curiosities and art treasures therein contained.

The New Postage Status The Desires of the contained. nue. Ex-Governor Hamilton Fish, who occupied

THE NEW POSTAGE STAMPS.—The Postmaster General has just awarded the contract for the supply years to the National Bank Note Company of New York. The new stamps will be somewhat smaller han those in use at present, but they are of a superior style and finish, with a novelty in design. The two cent stamp contains an engraving of a post two cent stamp contains an engraving of a post boy on horseback in full speed. The three cent has a locomotive under full head of steam, the great carrier of our domestic service. The five cent stamp contains a head of Washington. The ten cent, the finest of all in design and execution, has a miniature engraving of the Declaration of Independence, executed with such delicacy and precision that the picture suffers nothing under a magnifying glass. The twelve cent stamp has an ocean steamship, and the thirty cent has a finely executed engraving of the surrender of Burgoyne. When it is considered that over a million stamps are issued daily the importance of this contract is at once evident.

THE TRIENNIAL EPISCOPAL CONVENTION .- The triennial Protestant Episcopal Convention meets in Trinity church to-day. In this council of the Church bishops, clergy and laity from all of the United States. It will comprise a larger number of bishops and a larger number of dioceses than any of its previous councils. The business which will be brought before it is of the deepest importance to the well-being of the Church, now and herearter. The erection of six or seven new dioceses or missionary jurisdictions; the election and perhaps consecration of several bishops; the readjustment of the code of canons to new phases of church growth and action; the various memorials touching vital points of fatth, ritual and discipline which will be presented; the recasting of the whole foreign missionary work of the Church; the needed revision of the course of studies for candidates for Holy Orders, as prescribed by the House of Bishops; the devising of new and enlarged agencies of church education and church extension; the methods by which we can best minister to the spiritual needs of the poor, the working classes, the freedmen, the fallen of every grade on the one hand, as well as reach and successfully grapple with the various forms of rationalism and unbelieving science on the other. These and other equally great questions, each big with untold consequences, will engage the democration of the Legislative Council. previous councils. The business which will be

THE ALLEGED INCENDIARY PIRE IN HUDSON Baum, the youth recently arrested by detective Tilley, of the Third precinct, on suspicion of firing the store of his brothers, M. & C. Baum, No. 21 Hud-son street, was continued yesterday before Justice who appeared as counsel for the defendant, called to the stand William Banm, one of the owners of the store where the fire occurred; he had no interest in the business; he is only an errand boy; it is his business to open and close the store; at the time of the fire we had about \$4,000 worth of stock, consisting of cloths, trimmings, farmers' sails and reads made clothung. BURGLARY IN READE STREET.—About seven o'clock

yesterday morning, as James Brown, a porter in the employ of Mr. Britton Richardson, doing business on the third floor of the premises No. 63 Reade street, went down to business, he was surprised to find the outer door unfastened. As he opened it two men rushed out past him and fled. Brown followed in rushed out past him and fied. Brown followed in pursuit, crying "Stop thief," when officer Lindenstreuth, of the Third precinit, joined in the pursuit and succee.ed in arresting one of the fugitives, giving his name as John Howard, but his accomplice escaped. On going up stairs Brown discovered that the door from the hallway learning to Mr. Richardson's store had been forced open with a large jimmy, which then lay on the floor. The burgiars had moved to the door a case of silk valued at \$1,250 and two chests of tea worth \$35, preparatory to carrying the same on their shoulders. On searching Howard four skeleton keys were found in his possession, he not having has an opportunity to throw them away. Yesterday afternoon the pristner was arraigned before Justi e Hogan, at the Tombs, and committed to prison f r trial in default of \$2,000 bail. Howard is thirt; years of age, was born in Connecticut, is a carpenter by trade and lives in Philadelphia. Officer Lindenstreuth made a determined effort to secure Howard's confederate, but was unable to de so. He is known, however, and will be taken unless he leaves the city.

THE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR.

Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery. The fifty-fifth annual conclave of the Grand Com-mandery of Knights Templar, State of New York, their temporary asylum, Kane's Lodge Rooms, cor-ner Broadway and Twenty-second street, by R. E. Grand Commander John A. Lefferts and other grand officers with the usual knightly ceremonies. Prayer officers with the usual knightly ceremonies. Prayer was offered by the Grand Prelate, Rev. Charles H. Platt. The object of the conclave was the election of officers, and fourteen grand officers answered roll call, in addition to whom a full representation of Past Grand Commanders and Past Commanders and council officers was present.

On motion of Sir James B. Chaffee the courtesies of the Grand Commandery were extended to all visit-

CRIME IN VERHONT.

An Old Man Murdered in His House and the Place Robbed-Arrest of a Man on Suspi-

The people of Chittenden county are all excite ment over the murder committed here Saturday evening last. Perry Russell, an old man, nearly seventy-five years of age, respectable and highly esteemed by all who knew him, resided upon farm of 400 acres, about two miles from Hinesburg village. At the time of the murder there was no one village. At the time of the murder there was no one in the house besides himself and wife, who is about his own age. At eight P. M. or a little after some person knocked at the door, and on being questioned gave his name as "Joe Busha," the name or a man who had been a laborer upon the farm in August last. Mr. Russell opened the door when he was immediately knocked down by some one who pushed his way into the room. Mrs. Russell saw it, jumped out of the window, fied to the nearest neighbor's (Jerry Coleman's) and gave the alarm. The fright of the inmates of the house, who were chiefly women, prevented Coleman from going immediately to the aid of Russell. He, however, went to the house of a man named Watson, and both men then started to arouse the neighbors. After securing the co-operation of four or five in the neighborhood they proceeded to the old man's residence, where they found that their fears were too truly realized. On the floor of his residence lay Mr. Russell, with nine wounds in his head, in an insensible condition and tdying. Search was made for the perperator of the deed, but he was nowhere to be found. Although the house was ransacked the ruffian did not succeed in getting a single do lar of money. This morning a man, supposed to be the murderer of Russell, was arrested at Waterbury and was brought to Burlington, where he was locked up in jail.

The supposed murderer turns out to be Henry Welcome, a resident of Himesburg, of respectable family, but a "hard case" himself Last Tuesday, it is said, he was let out of Montpeier Jail, where he had been confined for horse sicaling. He had formerly worked at Mr. Russell's, and knew where the old man used to keep his money. This knocking in the head of defenceless old men and women has become quite a common thing in Vermont of late years. in the house besides himself and wife, who is about

CONFERENCE OF UNITARIAN CHURCHES.

Introductory to the National Conference of Unita rian churches to be held this week in this city was an opening sermon, presented by Dr. Bellows last evening in Dr. Osgood's church, corner of Park avenue and Thirty-fourth street. The large church was densely crowded. On the platform fronting the pulpit were several of the most prominent Unitaria clergymen of our country, in attendance upon the Conference. Rev. Dr. Osgood conducted the preliminary exercises, which were interspersed with the singing of several set pieces by the choir, and which were most exquisitely executed. Dr. Bellows took as the basis of his

the text Ephesians vi., nineteenth and twenty-first verses inclusive. He proposed to speak of the position and duties of a distinct religious body. The tendency of the times was to find a common key to religious belief and development. There was a strong prejudice against special sects. Special religious platforms were not in favor. And yet the difference in religious sects was tending to unity as well as union. It is true some were in antagonism, but these antagonisms would in time disappear before the influence of liberal sentiment. He then proceeded to speak of the Unitarian durch and its present position and inducence in this country. He did not claim that they were the only true church or the best Church; but he claimed for them a generous, Christian liberality of sentiment towards those hoofing different views upon church organizations. There were general principles and agreement which united, or rather apprinciple and agreement which united, or rather apprinciple of the conference of the present conferent denominations. He was glad, for instance, that clergymene in members of other Christian churches and the was as it should be. This we conference the great fundamental principles of christianty. Presbyterians, Methodists, Baptists, Lutherans and all evanuelical Christian denominations can and should work together for the spread of Christian faith for the salvation of sinners. The unitarian Church always had been and was now anxious to be a co-operator with all the Christian sects holding the same fundamental principles as themsolve. He proceeded to review the rise and progress of Unitarianism in this country. At first, a generalion aro, when the first Unitarian association was formed in Massachusetts, those of higher intellectual culture and literary tastes were its members. Since then there had been a growing disposition as well as determination to make more popular and democratic their Church. The result has been most gratifying, and with this result they had acquired additional growth and strangth. He

ASTRONOMICAL.

The Planet Venus Visible in the Daytime. The planet Venus became visible to the naked eye during the month of June, and was visible the The planet Venus became visible to the naked eye during the month of June, and was visible the first part of July or before its conjunction with the sun. A little while after its conjunction with the sun it became again visible to the naked eye on the west of the sun. It was visible to the naked eye during the months of August and September, and is now visible to the naked eye. The only trouble in flading it is to know pretty near where to look, and when once found it will surprise the searcher that he did not see it before. If we take any globe and place the sun's place on it, and bring this place to the brass meritian and set the index to noon, and it then over Venus' place we put a little piece of paper. This paper will show Venus' position at noon, and by turning the globe to the east it will show its place for hours before noon. If a lead pencil is placed on Venus' place so it touches evenly on the globe, and the eye is placed as near as possible to the bottom of the pencil, it will point out its place in the heavens much nearer. Care should be taken to set the globe north and south, and to elevate it to the true latitude of the piace. We add the positions of the sun and venus to ald those who may not be able te consuit the American ephemeris:—
Oct. 5, 156s... Sun's ra., 192 24, 144 24 dec. north 11 59 Oct. 6, 150s... Sun's ra., 192 24, 144 24 dec. north 11 20 WESTCHESTER MYELLIGENCE.

COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE.-Corporal Thomas Fitzgerald, who shot and killed Miss Hellen Ricks in the town of Westchester on the morning of August 2, 1866, and who was tried and convicted at the Westchester Oyer and Terminer and convicted at the Westchester Oyer and Terminer and sentenced to be hung in the month of January following, which sentence was not carried into execution owing to a stay of proceedings from the supreme Court, but which sentence was deferred to the 9th inst., has had his sentence commuted to the State Prison for life. The papers were made out and signed by the Governor on Monday morning, and Fitzgerald is now an inmate of Sing Sing Prison.

MRS. LINCOLN GONE TO EUROPE.—Mrs. Lincoln, widow of the late President, with her youngest son, Thaddeus, after attending the marriage of Captain Robert Lincoln, her eldest son, at Washington, on the 24th ult, returned to Estimore on the 26th and took rooms at Barnum's City Hotel, where she remained in ret. rement, being visited only by a few personal friends, until Thursday morning last, when she left with her son and was driven direct to Locust Point. Here, unknown to the large crowd on the pier, the widow and son of the late President went on board the steamship Baltimore, bound to Breaten. She at once went to her stateroom, and as her name did not appear on the passenger list furnished by the agents of the line it being withheld at the request of the lady, the face of her departure for Earope has only become known asveral days after the sailing of the soip. Those intimately acquainted with Mrs. Lincoln state that her visit to Europe at this time is for the purpose of placing her youngest MRS. LINCOLN GONE TO EUROPE.-Mrs. Lincoln. This evening the Grand Commandery will participate in a banquet and reception at the Metropolitan Hotel, tendered them by Morton, Cour de Lion, Manhattan and Palestine Commanderies, of this city, and directly under their supervision. Preparations are being made on a grand scale, and it promises to be one of the most interesting entertainments ever given by the Knights Templar.

Invitations will be extended to the representatives of all the different processions. The dinner will take place at six P. M. and the reception at nine P. M.